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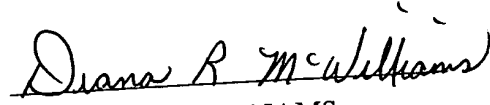
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NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to said application and all patents which may be granted therefore, and provisional and an application converted from a provisional, and all divisions, reissues, substitutions, continuations, continuations-in-part and extensions thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents for said invention, or patents resulting therefrom, insofar as our interest is concerned, to the said ASSIGNEE of our entire right, title and interest.

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EXECUTED this 16 day of September, 2002.



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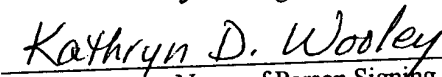
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